

Morgantown Museum Commission
Meeting Minutes
November 20, 2014

Present: Pam Ball, Michael Mackert, Rick McEwuen, Pam Casto

No minutes were recorded for the October 16, 2014 meeting due to the absence of the secretary.

Pam Ball called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM.

Setting up an area as a "Gift Shop" was the first topic of discussion. The sale of postcards taken from the Museum's photographic library, tee shirts, and other items were discussed. Rick will look into possible ramifications regarding how this would affect the tax-exempt status, grant eligibility, collection of sales tax, and such. It may be necessary to set the gift shop up as an entirely separate entity.

The Museum will remain closed until Dec. 2nd for the modification and re-installation of the displays. Friends of Deckers Creek will be installing their display in the center room in the next week or two.

Steve Stathakis will be approaching Monongahela Power for possible sponsorship of the Flatboat Project. Steve had also written a grant application for the Flatboat Project to the WV Humanities Council. Word received through the "grapevine" is that the grant for \$1300 has been approved. Steve also reported to Pam that Shawn Groshecki (sp) of Appalachian Hardwoods is still "on board" with the project. Pam Casto said there may also be some monies available through the NASA WV Space Grant for the archeological search and excavation of the original site of Michael Kern's flatboat building site along Deckers Creek. There have been no further developments on any of the other outstanding grant applications.

Michael said the application for the Museum Assessment Program (MAP) was mailed on Tuesday.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 PM.

Rick McEwuen, secretary